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Rocknoll Nursery

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Rock Plants and Perennials



FOSTER, OHIO, C. C. C. Highway

We are featuring in this catalogue plants that have proven satisfactory and hardy in southern Ohio. Our climate is a very trying one for hardy plants as they must acclimatize themselves to our severe seasonal changes and temperatures. In early summer we have as a rule hot wet weather followed later by hot dry conditions. Fall and spring are ideal as a rule. Winter is a seasons of extremes of temperature. Usually open and without any snow one day will find the thermometer at 50° F. with the ground wet and plants producing new growth; the next may find a 50° drop in temperature accompanied by a hot drying sun. Plants that can endure summer's hot wet plant rotting spells and winter's heaving and burning and heaving are to be classed among the hardiest to be obtained.

Besides the plants listed we are constantly trying out new things. Many of these are of great garden merit, and we have a few of them to offer from time to time. Our stock of these items is so limited that we cannot catalog them.

If you can possibly do so we invite you to visit the nursery to select the plants you might care for and to see them dug freshly for your order.

We are always pleased to have different garden clubs visit us. We have a large rock garden and perennial border exhibiting our plants. These are open to the public at all times.

Unless otherwise noted, plants are \$.20 each; 3 for \$.50.
F. O. B. Foster, Ohio.

SOME RECOMMENDED ROCK PLANTS

- Actinea herbacea.** Lakeside daisy. 10 in. Flowers April to May. Like a small calendula.
- Allium obliquum.** Dwarf Flowering Onion. Purple. Flowers all season.
- Allium stellulatum.** Pink. In summer. 12 in. Very showy.
- Anchusa myosotidiflora.** Chinese Forget-Me-Not. Shade or sun. Intense Blue. 12 in. Spring.
- Anemone pulsatilla.** Pasque Flower. Earliest Spring. Purple flower, fuzzy buds.
- Anemone pulsatilla rubra.** Reddish flowered form of above.
- A. sylvestris.** Large white flowers. 12 in. stems. Spring and sparingly later. Half shade.
- Anthemis carpathica.** Dwarf Camomile of real merit. 6 in. White. Early Spring.
- Arabis alpina fl. pl.** Double Rock Cress. A great improvement over the old type.
- A. procurrens.** Very hardy creeper. Spikes of white flowers in Spring.
- Armeria lauchiana.** Sea thrift. The best of the genus. 5 in. Rosy red. All season.
- Artemisia repens.** Creeping "Sagebrush." Dark green foliage. Absolutely prostrate.
- Astragalus sp. Tibet.** Non-weedy. Beautiful glaucous bipinnate foliage. Hottest places.
- Campanula.** Bluebells. Dainty blue flowers. Fine for walls.

Campanula fenestrellata. Thin green leaves. Light blue flowers. Open foliage.

C. fenestrellata incisa. Cut leaved form of above. Tiny flowers. 4 in. Rare. \$.35.

C. garganica. The best of all. Tight rosettes covered with blue bells. 5 in.

C. istriaca. Very hardy. Large hairy leaved form of garganica.

C. muralis. Next best. Small rosettes. Tubular purplish flowers.

C. pusilla. Creeping type. Fine for filling tight ledges. Pale blue. 2 in.

C. rotundifolia venzloi. An extremely hardy "Blue Bells of Scotland." 10 in.

C. rupestris. Extremely rare. Grecian species. True and hardy. \$1.50 each.

Corydalis cheilanthaefolia. Golden Fumitory. 12 in. Yellow flowers. Fern-like leaves. Shade.

Coreopsis auriculata. Fine dwarf. 6-8 in. Everflowering golden daisies. Recommended.

Cotyledon chrysantha. Tight hairy rosettes. Like a Sem-pervivum from China.

Dianthus. The Rock Pinks are indispensable. Of some 40 tried, the following have proven best:

D. arvernensis. Tiny prickly blue mounds of foliage. Smothered in May with soft pink flowers.

D. caesius fl. pl. Tight clumps of foliage. Double crimson to pink flowers in May. Very fragrant.

Dryas octopetala. Mountain Avens. A prostrate shrub from the highest mountain. 6 in. Large white flowers.

Spring.

Edrianthus candatus. An interesting Campanulaceous plant for walls. 4 in. Purple flowers. Grasslike leaves.

Epimedium niveum. Barren Wort. Foliage like ornamental leather. Flowers, tiny white spurless columbines. Shade and under trees.

Erodium chamaedryoides. 2 in. Pink. All season. Flowers like stemless Spring Beauties. \$.30.

Erica carnea. Limestone heather. Evergreen bushlets bearing pink flowers in Mid-Winter. Likes a wet sunny location and lime.

Geum triflorum. Prairie Geum. A good dwarf well doing form. 8 in. March-June.

Gypso phila repens. Creeping Baby Breath. Numerous small pink to white flowers on 4 in. stems arising from mats of glaucous foliage.

Helleborus tortidus. Green Hellebore. Curious tall Hellebore. Green flowers. 18-20 in. \$.35.

Heuchera sang. Pluie-de-Feu Coralbells. 15 in. Good coral red flowers.

H. sang. Virginal. Pure white. A fine contrast for the above.

Iberis sempervirens compacta. Hardy candytuft. A dwarf 8 in. form. Compact white flowers.

Iris arenarius. Smallest and Earliest. Yellow. Extremely floriferous and hardy.

Iris ensata. Chinese Species. Green and Blue. 12 in. May. Worthwhile.

Iris pumila. Orange Queen. Good orange flowered. 8 in. Attractive.

Lonicera nitida. A bushlet Honeysuckle. Kills back in winter but the season's growth is just right for the Rockery. Like a dwarf Box.

Lychnis alpina. Tiny alpine catchfly. 4 in. Pink.

L. viscaria fl. pl. Beautiful double old Rose flowers. One of the show plants for May and June. 12. in.

Mazus. Pumilio Creeper from the Himalaya's. 1 in. Violet flowers. Moisture or shade.

Nierembergia rivularis. Cup flowers. From the Argentine. 2 in. wide white cup. All season. 3 in. high.

Oenothera missouriensis. Evening Primrose. Immense yellow flowers on procumbent stems. Opens in the evening. Interesting Seed Pods.

Opuntia sp. Idaho. Orange Red flowered Cactus from Idaho. Cylindrical stems to 10 in.

Papaver ruprifragrum. Tibetan Poppy. Everflowering. 15 in. high. Burnt orange. Very hardy.

Pellaea atropurpurea. Purple Cliff Brake. A dwarf fern for sunny gardens.

Phlox amoena. Earliest Phlox of all. 12 in. Magenta flowers. Exceptionally showy.

Phlox divaricata—Rhapsody in Blue. Beautiful blue form of our Wild Sweet William. 10 in. Chosen for its garden adaptability.

P. glaberrima. Like a rosy red Miss Lingard. 15 in. Bridges the gap between the Dwarf Phlox and Paniculata types. Try this.

P. nivea VIVID. The gem of the Dwarf Phloxes. Prickly foliage. Beautiful Vivid Rose flowers. 4 in. Non Invasive.

Phlox subulata. The moss Pinks are the Backbone of the Rockery.

P. subulata alba Nelsoni. Compact. White yellow eye.

P. subulata atropurpurea. Deep red flowers. Rather late.

P. subulata G. F. Wilson. The best blue dwarf Phlox.

P. subulata moerheimi. Clear bright rose. Flowers in fall and winter as well as in spring.

P. subulata Newery seedling. Fast growing lavender. Quite nice.

Plumbago larpentae. Leadwort. Blue. 10 in. Late summer and fall.

Potentilla vera nana. Prostrate Cinquefoil. 1½ in. tall. Wee mounds. Tuffed with yellow flowers the size of a dime.

Primula. Beautiful spring flowering plants for shade.

Primula acaulis. Mrs. S. M. Maag. Old Rose with Pink eye. Winter Flowering. \$.50.

P. auricula. Rainbow Shades. 8 in. Good for walls. Evergreen.

P. bulleyana. Whorls of deep orange flowers. Late. 12-15 in

P. candelabra hybrids. Pink and red shades. Very showy. Late. Likes water.

P. cashmiriana. Very early. Lavender to purple. 10 in.

P. cashmiriana alba. White form of above.

P. japonica Cherry Ripe. Magnificent red form of the Japanese primrose.

P. capitata mooreana. Tiny alpine Birdseye Primrose. \$.35.

P. veris. Finest English Hybrids. English Primroses. Mixed colors.

P. veris Blue Primrose. Shades of lavender and blue. Choice \$.30.

P. Veris Mumstead Strain. Tall, yellow and white flowered types.

P. Veris. Pearson's Giant Yellow Primrose. Tall large yellow and white flowers.

Pulmonaria arvense. Spotted Lungwort. The European Mertensia. Blue flowers changing to pink from March to middle of May. Silver Spotted foliage. \$.35.

P. rubra. Red flowers. Large lush green leaves. Spring. \$.75.

Santolina chamaecyparissus. Silvery bushlets for hottest places. \$.35.

Saxifraga. While the saxifraga are not as reliably hardy as most of the plants on this list we feel that with reasonable care, i. e., vertical positions and excellent drainage; a careful gardener will be successful. We are especially interested in the saxifrages and will be very pleased to hear of any tricks in growing them in the Mid-West.

Lime Encrusted Types. Stiff rosettes. The edges of the leaves beautifully white from encrusted lime.

Saxifraga aizoon brevifolia. Tiny rosettes. Good grower. Worthwhile.

S. aizoon pectinata. Best of the aizoons. Leaves heavily tipped with lime.

S. aizoon rosea. Small rosettes. Pink at base. Flowers red.

S. altissima. Large. A beauty. Long foliage.

- S. cartilaginea.** Fast grower. Small yellow green rosettes.
- S. cotyledon X.** Very large and showy. One of the hardiest.
- S. cotyledon X. prolifer.** Vigorous. Opens rosettes. Handsome.
- S. engleri.** Narrow leaves. Leathery texture. Hoary.
- S. gaudini.** Free grower. Rot resistant. 3 in. rosettes. Try this.
- S. hosti.** Large spatulate leaves. Open and erect rosettes.
- S. lingulata X. cotyledon.** Flat rosettes. Blunt leaves.
- S. longifolia X.** Medium sized. Young leaves crinkly. Good.

S. McNabiana types. Perhaps the hardiest of all. Medium.

Mossy Types. Soft light green foliage forming large mats with $\frac{1}{2}$ in. flowers on 2 in. stems. Shade and moisture but not soggy soil. Divide often.

Saxifraga White Hybrids. Shaded from white to pink. Very floriferous.

Saxifraga Red Hybrids. A good shade of light carmine.

Other Types.

Saxifraga umbrosa. The London Prides. Revel in shade and moisture, but like the crowns of the plant to be dry.

We have several interesting forms varying in size of Rosettes and shape of leaves.

S. lasiophylla. Heuchera like foliage. 10 in. spikes of white flowers. Very hardy.

S. megascea. Large bold foliage. Pink flowers in spring.

Fool proof.

Sedum.

Sedum hispanicum minor. $\frac{3}{4}$ in. mats of tight bluish green foliage. Common but one of the showiest.

S. intermedium. Brilliant red winter foliage. Orange flowers. Early spring. New.

S. mittendorffianum. Slow grower. Dull red foliage. Forms nice compact tufts.

S. nevii. For shade. Foliage blue green and pink. Non invasive. White flowers.

S. sieboldii. From Japan. Pink flowers in Fall. Foliage whorled in threes. Glaucous tipped with pink.

Sempervivum. House leaks. Hen and chickens. Very hardy rosette forming plants that make the rockery. We are trying to follow Praeger's Monograph in naming this genus. Many names found in horticulture have been relegated to the botanical position we feel they belong.

Sempervivums are \$.10 each. 3 for \$.25 unless otherwise stated. We have many more varieties in stock. Inquiries solicited.

Sempervivum ailoni. A cornutum of old. Distinct in its small compact yellow green rosettes.

S. arachnoideum. The Spider Web Hen and Chick. The new growth is covered with a white thread like growth.

var. *dolomiticum-arach. tectorum*. Tight compact rosettes $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. across. A standard variety.

var. *Hausmanni-arach. X mentanum*. Medium size. Reddish cast to leaves. Good.

var. *rubellum-arach. X. tectorum*. Flattish hairy rosettes.

Brown tipped.

S. arenarium. The smallest sempervivum. Tiny brown tipped rosettes. Numerous offshoots.

var. Turkestanicum arenarium X arachnid. A very ciliate form of arenarium.

S. hirtum. Very open rosettes of the globose type. Medium sized rosettes.

var. antracticum. Small, very compact and colorful type.

var. raripilum. A large open form. Often 4 in. or more across.

var. tenellum. Very open form rosettes. Free growing.

S. montanum stiriaceum. Small, very hairy rosettes. Distinct.

S. Pittoni. Large hairy rosettes. Black tipped forms close compact mats. Very good.

S. Schlehanni. rubicundum of gardens. Medium sized rosettes with red base and green tipped leaves. Always interesting.

S. soboliferum. The common *S. globiferum* of gardens. Ball shaped rosettes. Many forms and sizes of this may be found.

S. tectorum. The type plant of this is the common Hen and Chickens. Some listed below make up the great mass of the colored leaved forms found in cultivation.

var. ambiguum. Varies extremely as to size and leaf color with the season. Interesting.

var. atropurpureum. Large rosettes. Purplish red leaves.

var. aureggi. Small rosettes. Base of leaves brownish red.

var. Boulangeri. Large vigorous rosettes. Old foliage red. New, green.

- var. Boutignyanum.** Smallish rosettes. Reddish base.
- var. canescens.** Medium rosettes. Foliage a light green.
- var. clusianum.** Red tipped rosettes. Very distinctive.
- var. Le Harpei.** A colorful form of tectorum.
- var. longobardum.** Medium size. Very vigorous. Good for mass effect.
- var. rotanum.** This and the following, the largest Semper-viva. Apple green. Distinct. \$.50.
- var. Rosy Purple** ^{Beauty} ~~Beauty~~. Very large. Deep rosy purple. A real beauty. \$.50.
- var. rupestre.** Small bright grass green rosettes. Good.
- Varieties, unnamed.** Highly colored. \$.25 each.

Silene pennsylvanica Vivid. Catchfly. A brightly colored form of our rare native Rose Pink. Divide often. As showy as Phlox subulata.

S. schafta. Fall catchfly. Numerous pink flowers in the autumn. 6 in. Floriferous.

Talinum calycinum. 2 o'clock Plant. Succulent leaves. Numerous magenta flowers on wiry 10 in. stems. Opens at 2 o'clock, the hottest time of the day. Flowers all season. For hottest, driest places. 3 for \$.25.

Tricyrtis hirta. ^{Toad} ~~Food~~ Lily. An interesting plant bearing pink and white flowers, resembling orchids. Shade. Summer flowering. \$.50.

Verbena canadensis. Hardy Verbena. Lavender. Fast spreading. Flowers all season.

V. canadensis rosea. Good pink flowered form.

Veronica pectinata. Woolly leaves. Creeping. Pink and Blue flowers. Fine for covering sunny rocks.

Veronica rupestris rosea. Orchid flowered form of the

common creeping Veronica.

Viola pedata bi-color. The best of the Native Violas. This form is absolutely tolerant of lime. Flowers spring and fall. Upper petals royal purple. Lower, Belladonna blue. Sun. \$.35. 3 for \$1.00.

Viola X Rosina. The fragrant pink Violet. New. Has odor of red raspberry.

Viola tricolor. True Johnny-Jump-Ups. 4 in. Small pansy-like flowers. The upper petals purple, the lower yellow. \$.25.

A FEW WORTHWHILE PERENNIALS

Anemone japonica. Queen Charlotte. 2 foot double pink flowers in fall.

Anemone japonica Whirlwind. As above with large pure white flowers.

Aquilegia Dobbies Imperial Hybrids. An excellent strain of extremely long spurred columbine. Blue shades are predominant.

Chrysanthemum maximum. L. C. Bell. One of the best Shasta Daisies. Very large flowers over a long period of bloom.

Chrysanthemum Garden Hybrids. We have a nice collection of fall flowering chrysanthemums that have proven their worth by being early flowering here. Inquiries solicited.

Delphinium belladonna. An improved strain of this ever necessary garden favorite. Tall spires of light blue flowers. Nice young plants.

Delphinium English Hybrids. These plants are from the finest English seed. Doubles, pinks, and combinations

found in mixture.

Desmodium pendulum. An old-fashioned shrub-like plant. Very valuable in the perennial border for its masses of rosy red flowers in late August and September.

Euphorbia polychroma. An early spring flowering perennial. 12-15 in. tall. This reminds one of yellow flowered Poinsettia.

Gaillardia grandiflora. The Dazzler. The most colorful and floriferous of all strains of Gaillardias. Red and bright orange combinations predominate.

Gypsophila Bristol Fairy. Hybrid. The Double Garden Baby Breath. 24-30 in. Grafted plants. \$.35.

Physostegia Vivid. This striking plants hould not be confused with the old-fashioned False Snapdragon. This is a bright rose flowered dwarf variety that lends a lot of color to the summer garden.

Pyrethrum coccineum hybrids. Painted daisies. A Red and pink flowered semi-double strain.

Spiraea filipendula. For the front of the border. Plumy white 15 in. flowers. Bright green fern-like leaves.

Veronica longifolia-subsessilis. The best of the border speedwells. Long royal purple spikes of flowers several times during the season.

The following is a list of other rock plants and perennials we carry in stock:



Other plants in stock.

Achillea tomentosa	Chrysanthemum maximum
Achillea The Pearl	(Shasta Daisy)
Actinea stenophylla	Chrysanthemum maximum
Aethionema grandiflora	Alaska
Aethianema persicum	Chrysanthemum Hartje and
Ajuga reptans	Elder Daisy
Allium cernuum	Convolvulus maurantaicus
Alsine rimarum	Cooperia drummondi
Allyssum argenteum	Coreopsis lanceolata
Aquilegia vulgaris	Cotoneaster adpressa \$.35
Androsace sermentosa	Cotoneaster dammieri
Anemone japonica Hupehensis	radicans \$.35
Anthemis kelwayi	Cotoneaster rubens \$.35
Aquilegia chrysantha	Cotoneaster sp. Yunnan \$.35
Arabis Alpina	Cotyledon pestallozae \$.50
Arabis alpina rosea	Cyclamen cilicicum \$.35
Arenaria montana	Cyclamen neapolitanum \$.35
Arneria hybrids	Delphinium chincsis
Arrhenatherum elatius	Dianthus alpinus
variegata	Dianthus arvernesis
Artemesia Silver King	Dianthus barbatus,
Aperula glanca	Sweet William
Aster alpinus alba	Dianthus caesius
Aster alpinus Goliath	Dianthus deltoides
Aster Mauve cushion	Dianthus deltoides
Aubretia Eyeri	Major Stearns
Belmacanda chinesis	Dianthus plumarius
Campanula carpathica	Dianthus plumarius nana
Campanula glomerata	Dianthus spiculifolius
Campanula medium	Dianthus Grandmothers
(Cup and Saucer)	White Pink
Campanula percidifolia.	Dianthus Grandmothers
Telham Beauty	Red Pink
Campanula trachelium	Dianthus Grenadin,
Cassia marylandica	Red Hardy carnation
Centaurea popyleuca	Dianthus White Hardy
Cerastium arvense sylvestris	carnation
Cerastium tomentosum	Dicentra exima
Cheilanthes lanulosa	Dicentra formosa
Chelone lyonii	Dicentra spectabilis \$.25
Chrysanthemum coreanum	Digitalis Shirley Foxglove

Doronicum excelsum
Dracocephalum ruyschianum
Epimedium sulphureum
Eryngium tripartitum
Euphorbia myrsinites
Festuca glacua
Funkia variegata
Gaillardia grandiflora
Gaillardia portola hybrids
Gentians, 10 species,
 inquire.
Geranium sanguineum
Globularia tricosantha
Helianthemum alpestre
Helianthemum mutabile
 hybrids
Helianthemum mutabile
 Double orange
Helianthemum mutabile Pink
Helianthemum mutabile Red
Helichrysum angustifolium
Helleborus niger \$.75
Hemerocallis flava
Hepatica acutiloba
Hernaria glabra
Heuchera X *Brizoides*
Heuchera X *Martins*
 Crimson
Heuchera X *Rosamindi*
Heuchera Sanguinea
Houstonia ciliata
Hybiscus X *Crimson Eye*
Iberis pruiti
Iris acoroides
Iris cristata
Iris foliosa
Iris German,
 standard types, inquire.
Iris Kaempferi mixed
Iris pumila atrovioacea
Iris pumila coerulea

Iris pumila cayanea
Iris tectorum
Iris sibirica
Iris sibirica alba
Iris sibirica blue
Lilium elegans
Lilium tigrinum
Linaria macedonica
Linaria cilicica
Linum alpinum
Linum capitalum
Linum perenne
Lupinus poyyphyllus
Lychnis chalconica
Matricari hybrid.
 Golden Ball.
Monarda sp. Colorado
Muscari botryoides
Myosotis alpestris
Myosotis palustris
Nepeta mussini
Oenothera missouriensis
Opuntia rafinesquii
Paronychia dichotoma
Papaver orientale
Papaver orientale Mrs. Perry
Papaver orientale
 Perry's White
Papaver ruprifragum
Pentstemon cobeia
Pentstemon hirsutus
Pentstemon torreyi
 Coral Gem
Pentstemon torreyi
 Shell pink
Phlox subulata alba
Phlox subulata lilicina
Phlox subulata The Bride
Phlox suffruticosa
 Miss Lingard
Platycodon grandiflora

Platycodon japonica maries'	Silene maratima
Platycodon Japonica Maries'	Silene pennsylvanica
Polemonium richardsoni	Statice auriculaefolia
Potentilla richardsoni	Statice meveri
Primula denticulata	Statice latifolia
Pyrethrum uliginosum	Stokesia cyanea
Rudbeckia Newmanii	Teucrium chamaedrys
Rudbeckia purpurea	Thymus alsinifolia
Sagina acaulis	Thymus serpyllum
Saponaria caespitosa	lanuginosum
Saponaria ocymoides	Thymus serpyllum
Saponaria ocymodies alba	Thymus serpyllum alba
Saponaria Wiemannii	Thymus vulgaris aurea
Saxifraga cordifolia	variegata
Saxifraga sarmentosa	Thymus vulgaris Silver
Sedum album	variegated
Sedum aizoon	Thymus Zooamus
Sedum altissimum	Tritoma hybrids
Sedum anopetalum	Trollius europaeus
Sedum cruentum	Tunica saxifraga
Sedum ellancombianum	Valerina officinalis
Sedum ewersi	Veronica filiformis
Sedum hispanicum	Veronica incana
Sedum lineare variegata	Veronica marginacea
Sedum lydium	Veronica multifida
Sedum maximum atropur-	Veronica prostrata
pureum	Heavenly Blue
Sedum pulchellum	Veronica rupestris
Sedum reflexum	Veronica spicata
Sedum sarmentosum	Veronica spicata erica
Sedum sexangulare	Veronica spuria
Sedum spectabilis	Veronica teucrium
Sedum spectabilis Brilliant	Royal Blue
Sedum spurium	Veronica teucrium Trehanae
Sedum spurium coccineum	Veronica True Blue
Sedum stenophyllum	Viola Jersey Gem
Sedum ternatum	Violets Sweet Russian
Silene cilicicia	



1. The first step is to identify the problem. This involves understanding the current situation and the goals that need to be achieved.

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From Middleton go through Monroe to Lebanon to South Lebanon to 3 C's. Turn South.

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